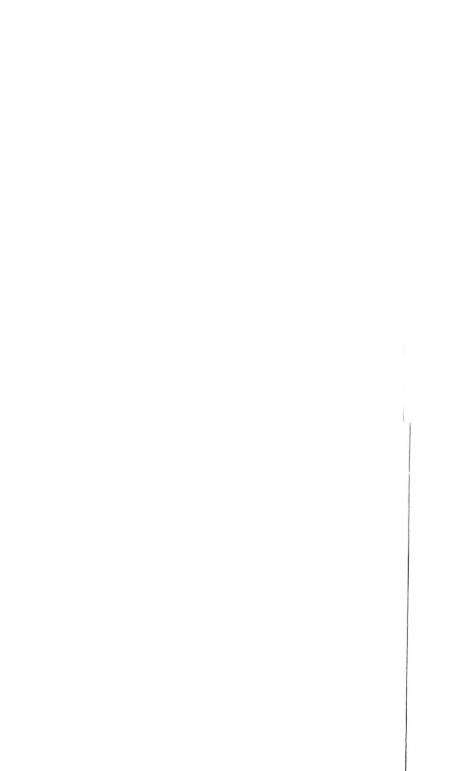
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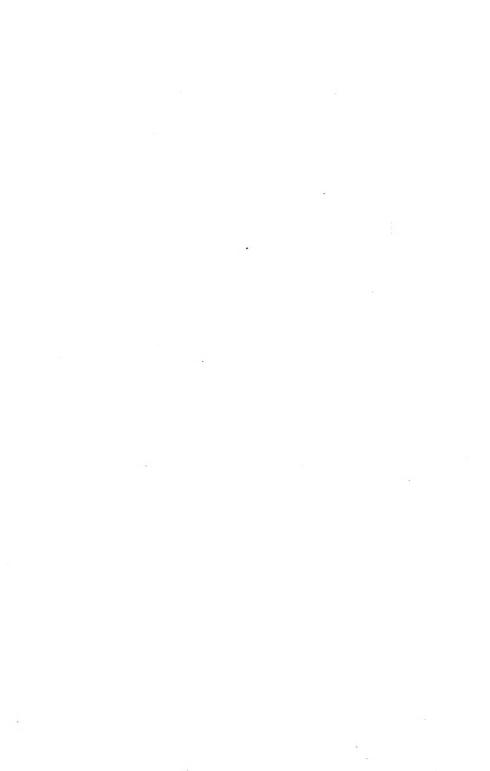
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Breitmann about Town.

Pefore de Fall vas past,
Und by der Breitmann drawed he in
Ash dreimals honored gast.
Led's see de sighdts! In self und worldt,—
Dere's "sighdts" for him, to see,
Who Selbstanschaungsvermægen hat,
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented to de Opera Haus,
Und dere dey vound em blayin'.
Of Offenbach, (der open brook,)
His show spiel Belle Heléne.
"Dere's Offenbach,—Sebastian Bach,—
Mit Kaulbach,—dat makes dree:
I alvays likes soosh brooks ash dese."
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented to de Bibliothek,
Vhich Mishder Astor bilt:
Some pooks vere only en broschure,
Und some vere pound und gilt.
"Dat makes de gold—dat makes de sinn,
Mit pooks, ash men, ve see,
De pest tressed vellers gilt de most:"—
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vent to see an edider,
Who'd shanged his flag und doon,
Und crowed oopon der oder side,
Dat very afdernoon.
De anciends vorshipped wetter-cocks,
To wetter fanes pent de knee;
Pow down, mein Schwackenhammer, pow."
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented py a panker's hause,
Und Schwackenhammer shvore,
Id only vant a pig red shield
Hoong oop pefore de toor;
One side of red, one side of gold,
Like de knighd's in hisdorie—
"De schildern of dat schild is rich,"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vent oonto a bicture sale,
Of frames wort' many a cent,
De broberty of a shendleman,
Who oonto Europe vent.
"Dont gry—he'll soon pe pack again
Mit anoder gallerie:
He sells dem oud dwelf dimes a year,"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented to dis berson's house,
To see his furnidure,
Sold oud at aucdion rite afay.
Berembdory und sure.
"He geeps six houses all at vonce
Each veek a sale dere pe,
Gotts! vat a dime his vife moost hafe!"—
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vent to vind a goot eigar,
Long dimes dey roamed apout,
Von veller had a pran new sort.
De fery latest out.
"Mein freund—I dinks you errs yourself
De shmell ish oldt to me;
De Infamias Stinkadores brand,"-

Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented to de virst hotel,

De prandy make dem creep,

A trop of id's enough to make

A brazen monkey veep.

"Dey say a viner house ash dis,

Vill soon ge-bildet pe,

Crate Gott!—vot can dey mean to trink?"

Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented droo de Irish shtreeds,
Dey saw vrom haus to haus,
Und gountet oop, 'pout more or less,
Vive hoondred awful rows.
"If all dese liddle vights dey waste,
Could von crate pattle pe,
Gotts! how de Fenian funds vouldt rise!"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vent to see de Ridualisds,
Who vorship Gott mitt vlowers,
In hobes he'll lofe dem pack again,
In winter among de showers.
"Vhen de Pacific railroat's done
Dis dings imbrofed vill pe,
De joss-sticks vill pe santal vood,"—
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vent to hear a breecher of
De last sensadion shtyle,
'Twas 'nough to make der tyfel weep
To see his "awful shmile."
"Vot bities dat der Fechter ne'er
Vas in Theologie.
Dey'd make him pishop in dis shoorsh,"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vent indo a shpordin' erib,
De rowdies eloostered dick.
Dey ashk him dell dem vot o'glock.
Und dat infernal quick.
Der Breitmann draw'd his 'volver oud,
Ash gool ash gool couldt pe,
"Id's shoost a goin' to shdrike six,"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vent polid'gal meedins next,
Dey hear dem rant and rail,
Der bresident vas a forger.
Shoost bardoned oud of jail.
He does it oud of cratitood,
To dem who set him vree:
"Id's Harmonie of Inderesds,"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vent to a clairfoyand witch,

A plack-eyed handsome maid,
She wahrsagt all der vortunes—denn

"Fife dollars, gents." she said.

"Dese vitches are nod of dis eart',
Und yed are on id, I see
Der Shakesbeare knew de preed right vell,"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented to a restaurand.

Der vaiter coot a dash;

He garfed a shicken in a vink,

Und serfed id at a vlash.

"Dat shap knows vell shoost how to coot,

Und roon mit poulterie,

He vas copitain oonder Turchin vonce,"

Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented to de Voman's Righds,
Vere laties all agrees,
De gals should pe de voters,
Und deir beaux all de votées.
"For efery man dat nefer vorks,
Von frau should vranchised pe:
Dat ish de vay I solf dis ding,"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Dey vented oop, dey vented down,
'Tvas like a roarin' rifer,
De sighds vas here—de sighds vas dere—
Und de vorldt vent on forefer.
"De more ve trinks, de more ve sees,
Dis vorldt a derwisch pe;
Das Werden's all von whirling droonk,"
Said Breitemann, said he.

Schnitzerl's Philosopede.

PARDT SECONDT.

Vas quardered into dwo,
Und how his crate philosopede
To 'm teufel had gone flew;
He dinked and dinked so heafy
As only Deutschers can,
Denn saidt, "Who mighdt beliefet
Dis ish de ent of man?

- "De human souls of beoples
 Exisdt in deir ideés,
 Und dis of Wolfram Schnitzerl
 Mighdt dravel many vays,
 In his Bestimmung des Menschen
 Der Fichte makes peliefe
 Dat ve brogress oon-endly
 In vot pehind we leafe.
- "De shbarrow falls ground-downwarts.
 Or drafels to de West;
 De shbarrows dat coom afder
 Bild shoost de same oldt nest.
 Man hat not vings or fedders,
 Und in oder dings, 'tis saidt,
 (11)

He tont coom oop to shbarrows; Boot on nests he goes ahet.

O vliest dou troo bornin vorldts
Und nebuloser foam,
By monsdrous mitnight shiant forms
Or vhere red tyfels roam,
Or vhere de chosts of shky rackets
Peyond creadion flee?
Vhere'er dou art, oh Schnitzerlein!
Crate saint! look down on me!

Und deach me how you maket
Dat crate philosopede.
Vitch roon dwice six mals vaster
Ash any Arap shteed,
Und deach me how to 'stonish folk
Und knock dem out de shpots.
Come pack to eart, O Schnitzerlein,
Und pring it down to dots!"

Shoost ash dis vort vent outvarts
Hans dinked he see a vlash,
Und unterwards de dable
He doomple mit a crash,
Und to him, moong de glaesses,
Und pottles ash vas proke,
Mit his het in a eigar box,
An foice from Himmel shpoke:

"Adsum Domine Breitmann!
Herr Capitain—here I pe!
So dell me right honesté
Quare inquietasti me?
Te video inter spoonibus.
Et largis glassis too,
('erevisia repletis,
Sieut percussus tonitru.''

Denn Breitmann ansver Schnitzerl:

"Coarctor nimis.—See!
Siquidem Philistiim
Pugnant adversum me.
Ergo vocavi te,
Ash Saul vocavit Samuel, ut mi ostenderes
Quid teufel faciam?"

Denn der shpirit, in Lateinisch Saidt "Benc—dat's de dalk! Non habes in hoe shanty A shingle et some chalk? Non video inkum et calamos: (I shbose some bummer shdole 'em): Levate oculos tuos, son Et aspice ad lintcolum!" Den Breitmann see de chalk-piece
Vitch riset from de floor,
Und signet a philosopede
Alone oopon de toor,
De von dat Schnitzerl fabricate,
Und oonderneat he see:
Probate inter equites:
"Try dis in de cavallrie."

Den Breitmann shtoot ooprightly
Und leanet on a bost, [peen
Und saidt; "If dis couldt, shouldt hafe
It vouldt mighdt peen a chost!
Boot if it pe nouomenon,
Phenomenoned indeed,
Or de soobyective obyectified,
I'fe cot de philosopede."

Denn out he seekt a plack schmidt
Ash vork in iron shteel;
To make him a philosopede
Mit shoost an only vheel.
De dings vas maket simple,
Ash all crate ideés should pe;
For 'twas noding boot a gart vheel
Mit a two veet achsel-dree.

De dimes der Breitmann doomple
In learnin for to ride,
Vas ofdener ash de sand grains
Dat rollen in de tide.
De dimes he cot oopsetted
In shdeerin lefdt und righdt,
Vas ofdener as de cleamin shdars
Dat shtud de shky py nighdt.

Boot de vorstest of de veadures
In dis von vheel horse, you bet,
Ish dat man couldt go so nicely
Pefore he got oopset,
Some dimes he go like plazes
Und toorn her, extra-fein,
Und denn shlop ofer—dis is vhat
Hafe kill der Schnitzerlein.

Soosh droples as der Breitmann hafe
To make dis 'vention go,
Vas nefer seen py mordal man
Oopon dis vorldt pelow.
He doompled righdt, he doompled lefdt,
He hafe a tousand toomps,
Dere nefer vas a gricket-ball
Vot got soosh 'fernal boomps.

Boot ash he shvear't he'd do it,
He shvore id should pe done,
Dough he schimpft und fluchte laesterlich,
He visht he'd ne'er pegun.
Mit Hagel! Blitz! Kreuzsakrament!
He maket de houser ring,
Und hoped de Schnitzerl pe verdammt
For deachin him dis ding.

Nun—goot! Ad last he got it.

Und peaudifool he goed,
Dis day, saidt he, "I'll stonish folk
A ridin on de road;
Dis day py shinks I'll do it!

Und knock dings out of sight!"
Ach weh! for Breitmann dat day
Vas not pe-markt mit vhite.

De noompers of de Deutsche folk
Dat coom dis feat to see,
I dink in soper earnest-hood,
Mighdt not ge-reckonet pe.
For miles dey shtood along de road,
Mein Gott! but dey vas dry;
Dey trinked den lager-beer shops oop,
Pefore der Hans coom py.

Vhen all at vonce drementous gries
De fery country shook;
Und beoples shkreemt: "Da ist er! Schau!
Dere ish der Breitmann!—Look!"
Mein Gott! vas efer soosh a shoudt?
Vas efer soosh a gry?
Ven like a brick-bat in a vight,
Der Breitemann roosh py.

O mordal man! Vy ish id, dow
Hast passion to go vast?
Vy ish id dat de tog und horse
Likes shbeed too quick to last?
De pugs, de pirds, de pumple-pees,
Und all dat ish, 'twould seem,
Ish nefer hoppy boot, exsept
When pilin on de shteam.

Der Breitmann flew! Von mighdy gry,
Ash he vent scootin bast,
Von derriple, drementous yell—
Dat day de virst—and last.
Vot ha! vot ho! Vy ish id dus?
Vot makes dem shdare aghast?
Vy cooms dat vail of wild tespair?
Ish somedings got gesmasht?

Yea—efen so. Yea, ferily—
Shbeak, soul! It is dy biz!
Der Breitmann shkeet so vast along,
Dey fairly heard him whizz.
Ven shoost oopon a hill-top point
It caught a pranch ge-pent,
Und like an opple vrom a svitch,
Afay Hans Breitmann vent.

Vent troo de air a hoondert feet,
(Allowin more or less)—
Denn pobb—pobb—pobb—a mile or dwo,
He rollet along—I guess.
Say—hast dou seen a gannon ball
Half shpent, shtill poundin on;
Like made of gummi-lasticum?
So vent der Breitemann.

Pey bick him up—dey pring him in— No wort der Breitmann shpoke.

Der doktor look—he shvear erstaunt
Dat nodings ish peen proke!

He rollet de rocky road entlong,
He pouncet o'er shtock und shtone?

You'd dink he'd knocked his outsides in,
Yet nefer preak a pone! All shtill Hans lay—bevilderfied— Nor seemet to mind de shaps, Nor moofed, oontil der medicus Hafe dose him vell mit schnapps. De schmell voke oop de boetry Of tays ven he vas young, Und he murmulte de frogmends Of an sad romandic song:

"As summer pring de roses,
Und roses pring de dew,
So Deutschland gifes de maidens
Vot fetch de bier to you.
Komm Maidlein! Rothe Wænglein!
Mit a wein glass in your paw!
Ve'll ged troonk amoong de roses
Und lie soper on de shdraw!

"As winter prings de ice-wind,
Dat plow o'er burg und hill,
Hard times pring in de lautlord,
Und de lantlord pring de bill.
Boot sing Maidlein! Rothe Wængelein!
Mit wein glass in your paw!
Ve'll ged troonk amoong de roses
Und lie sober on de shdraw!"

Dey dook der Breitmann homewarts,
Boot efer on de vay,
He nefer shbeaket no man,
Und noding else could say:
Boot—"Maidlein—Rothe Wængelein!
Mit wein glass in her paw,
We'll ged troonk amoong de rosen
Und lie soper on de shdraw!"

Dey laid der Hans im Bette,
Peneat de eider-doun,
Und sempled all de doktors
Vot doktored in de town.
Dat ish, de Deutsche Aertzte,
For Breitmann alfays says,
De Deutschers ish de onlies
Mit originell idées.

Dere vas Doktor Moritz Schlinkenschlog.
Dat vork ash caféopath,
Und der learned Cobus Schoepfskopf,
Dat use de milchy bath;
Und Korschalitschky aus Boehmen,
Vot eure mit slibovitz,
Und Wechselbalg from Berlin,
Who only 'tend to fits.

Dere vas Strobbich aus Westfalen
Who mofe all eart'ly ills
Mit concentrirter schinken juice,
Und Pumpernickel pills;
Und a bier-kur man from Munich,
Und a grape-curist from Rhein,
Und von who shkare tisease afay
Mit dose of Schlesier wein.

So dey meed in consooldation
Mit Doktor Winkeleck,
Who brackdise "renovation"
Mit sauerkraut und speck.
Und dat no man shouldt pe shlightet
Or treatet ash a tunce,
Dey 'greed to try deir systems
Oopon Breitmann all at vonce.

Dat ish, mit de excepdion,
Of gifin Schlesier wein;
For de remedy vas danger-full
On von who trink from Rhine.
Ash der teufel once declaret
Ven he taste it on a shpree,
Dat a man to trink soosh liquor
Moost a born Silesian pe.

So de all vent los at Breitmann,
Und woonderfool to dell,
He coomed to his gesundheit,
Und pooty soon cot vell,
Some hinted at Natura
Mit de oldt vis sanatrix,
Boot each dokter shvore he cured him,
Und de rest were Taugenix.

I know not vot der Breitmann
More newly has pegun,
Boot dey say he dalks day-daily
Mit Dana of de Sun.
Dey dalk in Deutsch togeder,
Und volk say de ent vill pe
Philosopedal changes
In de Union cayallrie.

Gott help de howlin safage!
Gott help de Indi-an!
Shouldt Breitmann choin his forces
Mit Sheneral Sheridan.
Und denn to sing his braises
Acain I'll gife a lied—
Hier hat dis dale an ende
Of Breitmann's philosopede.

A Ballad apout de Rowdies.

Und I took mein Schatz mit me.

Und I took mein Schatz mit me.

Mine Schatz, Katrina Bauer,

I gife her mein heart und vordt;

Boot ve tidn't know vot beoples

De Dampsschiff hafecot on poard.

De preeze plowed cool und bleasant,
We looket at de town
Mit sonn-light on de shdeebles,
Und wetter fanes doornin round.
Ve sat on de deck in a gorner
Und dropled nopody dere,
Ven all aroundt oos de rowdies
Peginned to plackguard und schvear!

A voman mit a papy
Vas sittin in de blace;
Von tooket a chew tobacco
Und trowed it indo her vace.
De voman got coonvulshons,
De papy pegin to gry;
Und de rowdies shkreemed out a laffin,
Und saidt dat de fun vas "high."

(23)

Pimepy ve become some hoonger
Katrina Baur und I,
I openet de lit of mine pasket,
Und pringed out a cherry bie.
A cherry kooken mit pretzels,
"How goot!" Katrina said,
Ven a rowdy snatched it from her,
Und preaked it ofer mine het.

I dells him he pe a plackguart
I gifed him a biece my mind,
I vouldt saidt it pefore a tousand,
Mit der teufel himself pehind.
Den he knocks me down mit a sloong-shot,
Und peats me plack and plue;
Und all de plackguards kick me.
Dill I vainted, und dat ish drue.

De rich American beoples
Don't know how de rowdies shtrike
Der poor hardt-workin Sherman,
He knows it more ash he like.
If de Deutsche speakers und bapers
Are sometimes too hard on dis land,
Shoost dink how de Deutsch kit driven
Along by de rowdy's hand!

Wein Geist.

Berauscht mit a gallon of wein,
Und I rooshed along de Strassen,
Like a derriple Eberschwein.

Und like a lordly boar-big,
I doompled de soper folk;
Und I trowed a shtone droo a shdreed lamp,
Und bot' of de classes I proke.

Und a gal vent roonin' bast me.

Like a vild coose on de vings,

Boot I gatch her for all her skreechin,

Und giss her like afery dings.

Und denn mit an board und a shdore-box.

I blay de horse-viddle a biece,
Dill de neighbours shkreem "deat'!" und
"murder!"

Und holler aloudt "bolice?"

Und vhen der erim night wæchter Says all of dis foon moost shtop, I oop mit mein oombrella, Und schlog him ober de kop. (25) I leaf him like tead on de bavemend, Und roosh droo a darklin' lane, Dill moonlighd und tisdand musik, Pring me roundt to my soul again.

Und I sits all oonder de linden,
De hearts-leaf linden dree;
Und I dink of de quick ge-vanisht lofe
Dat vent like de vind from me.
Und I voonders in mine dipsy hood,
If a damsel or dream vas she!

Dis life ish all a lindens
Mit holes dat show de Plue;
Und pedween de finite pranches,
Cooms Himmel light shinin troo.

De blaetter are raushlin' o'er me, Und efery leaf ish a fay, Und dey vait dill de Windsbraut comet, To pear dem in Fall afay.

Und I look at a rock py de rifer,

Vhere a stein ish of harpe form,

—Year dausend in, oud, it shtandet—

Und nopody blays but de shtorm.

Here vonce on a dimes a vitches, Soom melodies here peginned, De harpe ward all zu steine, Die melodie ward zu wind.

Und so mit dis tox-i-cation,
Vitch hardens de outer Me;
Uber stein and schwein, de weine,
Shdill harps oud a melodie.

Boot deeper de Ur-lied ringet,
Ober stein und wein und svines,
Dill it endet vhere all peginnet,
Und alles wird ewig zu eins,
In de dipsy, treamless sloomper
Vhich units de Nichts und Seyns.

Breitmann in Politics.

I.--The Nomination.

HEN ash de var vas ober, Und Beace her shnow-wice vings, Vas vafin o'er de coondry (In shoods) like afery dings; Und heroes vere revardtet, De beople all pegan To say 'tvas shame dat nodings Vas done for Breitemann.

No man wised how id vas shtartet, Or where der fore shlog came, Boot dey shveared it vas a cinder, Dereto a purnin shame: "Dere is Schnitzerl in de Gustom-House-Potzblitz! can dis dings pe?— Und Breitmann he hafe nodings: Vot sights is dis to see!

" Nod de virst ret eendt for Breitmann! Ish *dis* do pe de gry On de man dat sacked de repels Und trinked dem high und dry?

By meine Seel' I shvears id, Und vot's more I deglares id's drue, He vonce gleaned out a down in half an oor, Und shtripped id strumpf und shoe.

"He was shoost like Kænig Etzel,
Of whom de shdory dell,
Der Hun who go for de Romans
Und gife dem shinin hell,
Only dis dat dey say no grass vouldt crow
Vhere Etzel's horse had trot,
Und I really peliefe vere Breitmann go
De hops shpring oop, bei Gott!"

If once you tie a dog loose,

Dere ish more soon gets arount,
Und wenn dis vas shtartedt on Breitmann
It was rings aroom be-foundt;
Dough vhy he moost hafe somedings
Vas not by no mean glear,
Nor tid id, like Paulus' confersion,
On de snap to all abbear!

Und, in facdt, Balthazar Bumchen
Saidt he couldtent nicht blainly see
Vy a veller for gadderin riches
Shood dus revartedt pe:

Der Breitmann own drei Houser, Mit a wein-handle in a stohr, Dazu ein Lager-Wirthschaft, Und sonst was—somedings more.

Dis plasted plackguard none-sense
Ve couldn't no means shtand,
From a narrow-mineted shvine's kopf,
Of our nople captain grand:
Soosh low, goarse, betty bornirtheit
A shentleman deplores;
So ve called him verfluchter Hundsfott
Und shmysed him out of toors.

So ve all dissolfed dat Breitmann
Shouldt hafe a nomination
To go to de Legisladoor,
To make some dings off de nation;
Mit de helb of a Connedigut man,
In whom ve hafe great hobes,
Who hat shange his boledies fivdeen dimes,
Und derefore knew de robes.

II.—The Committee of Instruction.

De ding vas protocollirt,
By Docktor Emsig Grubler,
Who in Jena vonce studiret;
Und for Breitmann his instrugtions
De Comedy tid say
Dat de All out-going from de Ones
Vash die first Moral Idée.

Und de segondt crate Moral Idée
Dat into him ve rings,
Vas dat government for avery man
Moost alfays do avery dings;
Und die next Idée do vitch his mindt
Esbecially ve gall,
Ish to do mitout a Bresident
Und no government at all.

Und die fourt Idée ve vish der Hans Vouldt alfays keeb in fiew, Ish to cooldifate die Peaudifool, Likewise de Goot and Drue; Und de form of dis oopright-hood In proctise to present, He most get our little pills all bassed Mitout id's gostin a cent. Und die fift' Idée—ash learnin
Ish de cratest ding on eart,
And ash Shoopider der Vater
To Minerfa gife ge-birt'—
Ve peg dat Breitmann oonto oos
All pooblic tockuments
Vich he can grap or shteal vill sendt—
Franked—mit his gompliments.

Die sechste crate Moral Idée—
Since id fery vell ish known
Dat mind ish de resooldt of food,
Ash der Moleschott has shown,
Und ash mind ish de highest form of Gott,
As in Fichte dot' abbear—
He moost alfays go mit de barty
Dat go for lager-bier.

Now ash all dese instrugdions
Vere showed to Misder Twine,
De Yangee boledician,
He say dey vere fery fine:
Dey vere pesser ash goot, und almosdt nice—
A tarnal tall concern;—
Boot dey hafe some little trawpacks,
Und in fagdt weren't worth a dern.

Boot yed, mit our bermission,
If de shentlemans allow—
Here all der Shermans in de room
Dake off deir hats und pow—
He vouldt gife our honored gandidate
Some nodions of his own,
Hafing managed some elections
Mit sookcess, as vell vas known.

Let him plow id all his own vay,

He'd pet as sure as born,

Dut our mann vouldt not coom out of

Der liddle endt der horn,

Mit his goot proad Sherman shoulders—

Dis maket oos laugh, py shink!

So de comedy shtart for Breitmann's—

Nota bene—afder a trink!

III.—Mr. Twine Explains Being "Sound Upon the Goose."

Der Breitmann sot he:
He lookt shoost like de shiant
In de Kinder hishdorie;
Und pefore him, on de tische,
Vas—vhere man alfays foundt it—
Dwelf inches of goot lage.,
Mit a Bæmisch glass aroundt it.

De foorst vordt dat der Breitmann spoke
He maked no sbeech or sign:
De next remark vas, "Zapfet aus!"—
De dird vas, "Schenket ein!"
Vhen in eoomed liddle Gottlieb
Und Trina mit a shtock
Of allerbest Markgraefler wein—
Dazu dwelf glaeser Bock.

Denn Misder Twine deglare dat he Vas happy to denounce Dat as Copdain Breitmann suited oos Egsoekdly do an ounce, (34) He vas ged de nomination,
And need nod more eckshblain:
Der Breitmann dink in silence,
And denn roar aloudt, Champagne!

Den Mishder Twine, while trinken wein,
Mitwhiles vent on do say,
Dat long insdruckdions in dis age
Vere nod de dime of tay;
Und de only ding der Breitmann need
To pe of any use
Vas shoost to dell to afery mans
He's soundt oopon der coose.

Und ash dis little frase berhops
Vas nod do oos bekannt,
He dakes de liberdy do make
Dat ve shall oondershtand,
And vouldt tell a liddle shdory
Vitch dook blace pefore de wars:
Here der Breitmann nod to Trina,
Und she bass aroundt eigars.

"Id ish a longe dime, now here, In Bennsylvanien's Shtate, All in der down of Horrisburg Dere rosed a vierce depate, Tween vamilies mit cooses,
Und dose where none were foundt—
If cooses might, by common law,
Go squanderin aroundt?

"Dose who vere nod pe-gifted
Mit gooses, und vere poor,
All shvear de law forbid dis crime,
Py shings and cerdain sure;
But de coose-holders teklare a coose
Greadt liberty tid need.
And to pen dem cop vas gruel,
Und a mosdt oon-Christian teed.

"Und denn anoder party
Idself tid soon refeal,
Of arisdograts who kepd no coose,
Pecause 'twas not shendeel:
Tey tid not vish de splodderin geese
Shouldt on deir pafemends bass,
So dey shoined de anti-coosers,
Or de oonder lower glass!"

Here Breitmann led his shdeam out:
"Dis shdory goes to show
Dat in poledicks, ash lager,
Virtus in medio.

De dreeks ish ad de pottom—
De skoom floads high inteed;
Boot das bier ish in de mittle,
Says an goot old Sherman lied.

"Und shoost apout elegdion-dimes
De scoom und drecks, ve see,
Have a pully Wahl-verwandtschaft,
Or election-sympathie."
"Dis is very vine," says Misder Twine,
"Vot here you indroduce:
Mit your bermission, I'll grack on
Mit my shdory of de coose.

"A gandertate for sheriff
De coose-beholders run,
Who shvear de coose de noblest dings
Vot valk peneat de sun;
For de cooses safe de Capidol
In Rome long dimes ago,
Und Horrisburg need safin
Mighty pad, ash all do know.

"Acainsd dis mighdy Goose-man Anoder veller rose, Who keepedt himself ungommon shtill Ven oders came to plows; Und if any ask how 'twas he shtoodt,
His vriends wouldt vink so loose,
Und visper ash dey dapped deir nose:
'He's soundt oopon de coose!

" 'He's O. K. oopon de soobject;
Shoost pet your pile on dat;
On dis bartik'ler quesdion
He intends to coot it fat.'
So de veller cot elegded
Pefore de beople foundt
On vitch site of der coose it vas
He shtick so awful soundt.

"Dis shdory's all I hafe to dell,"
Says Misder Hiram Twine;
"Und I advise Herr Breitmann
Shoost to vight id on dis line."
De volk who of dese boledies
Would oder shapters read,
Moost waiten for de segondt pardt
Of dis here Breitmann's Lied.

IV.—How Breitmann and Schmit were Reported to be Log-Rolling.

Ven all dese dings pegan,
Dat Mishder Schmit, de shap who rooned
Acainsd der Breitemann,

Vas a man who look like Mishder Twine So moosh dat beoples say Dey pliefe dey moost ge-brudert pe— Gott weiss in vot a vay!

Und id vas also moosh be-marked—
Vitch look shoost like a bruder—
Dat ven Twine vas vork on any side
Der Schmit vas on de oder:
A fery gommon dodge ish dis
Mit de arisdocracie;
So dat votefer eardt toorus oop,
Id's game for de familie!

Nun, goot! Howefer dis mighdt pe,
'Tvas cerdain on dis hit

Der Twine vas do his teufelest
To euchre Mishder Schmit;
Und Schmit, I criefe to say, exglaimed:
"Goll darn me for a fool,
But I'll smash old Dutch to cholera fits
And rake the eternal pool!"
(39)

So dey cot some liddle ledders,
Ash brifate ash could pe,
Vitch Breitmann writed long agone
To friendts in Germany;
Und dey brinted dem in efery vay
To make de beoples laugh,
Und comment on dem in de shtyle
Dat "sports" call "slasher-gaff."

Dere to—as vash known py shoodshment
Und glearly ascerdaind,
Dat Breitmann hafe lossed money
Py a valse und schwindlin friend—
So dey roon it troo de newsbapers.
Und shbeech do make pegan,
Dat Breitmann shtole de gelt himself
Und rop der oder man.

Boot de ding dat jam de hardest
On de men dat bull de vires,
Und showed dat Captain Breitmann
Shtood pedween dwo heafy vires,
Vas, pecause he vas a soldier—
Von could see id at a clanse—
Dey had pud him in a tisdrigt
Vhere he hadn't half a shanse.

For ash de pold solidaten

Ish more prafe ash oder mans,
Dey moost lead de hope verloren

Und pattle in de vans;
Und ash defeat ish honoraple

To men in honor shtrict,
Dey honor dem py puttin em

Vhere dey're cerdain to pe licked.

Boot dis dimes it shlopped over,
Tvas de dird or secondt heat
Dat a soldier in dis tisdrigt
Had been poot oop und beat:
So de Plue Goats dink it over
Und go quietly to vork:
De bow ven too moosh aufgespannt
Vlies packward mit a yerk.

Now Mishder Twine deglaret on dis
De ding seemed doubtenfull,
Boot mitout delay he dook de horns
So poldly py de bull,
Und shpread de shdory eferyvhere,
Dill folk to pliefe pegan,
Dat Mishder Schmit had sold de vight
Unto der Breitemann!

He fix de liddle tedails—
How moosh der Schmit hafe got
For sellin out his barty
To let Breitmann haul de pot;
Und he showed a brifate ledder
From Breitemann to Schmit,
Where he bromise him for Congress
If he shoest let oop a bit.

Der Twine vas writet dis ledder;
For der Copitain Breitemann
Vould nefer hafe shtood soosh hoompoogks
Since virst his life pegan;
He hat tone some rough dings in der war,
In de ploonder-und-morder line,
Boot vas hoockelperry-persimmoned
Mit desc boledics of Twine.

Howefer, dis ledder vorket foorst-rade—
Mit de Merigans pest of all,
For dey mostly dinked it de naturalest ding
As efer couldt pefall;
For to sheat von's own gonstituents
Ish de pest mofe in de came,
Und dey nefer sooposed a Dootehman
Hafe de sense to do de same

V.—How they held the Mass Meeting.

Ash all oov us may learn,
Boot may shange from dark to lighthood,
If loock should dake a doorn;
So it happenet mit Breitmann,
Who in shpite of sin und Schmit,
Gontrified ad shoost dis yooncture
Do make a glucky hit.

Dey hat sendet out some plackarts

To de Deutsche buergers all
(N. B.—Dish ish not mean plackarts,
Boot de pills dey shtick on de vall),
To say dat a Massenversammlung—
Or a meeding of all de masses—
Vould be held in de Arbeiter-Halle,
To consisd of de Sharman classes.

Now dey gife de brintin of de pills

To a new gekommene man,
Who dinked dat Demokratisch
Vas de same ash Repooblican:
Gott in Himmel weiss where he hid himself
On dish free Coloompian shore
Dat he scaped de naturalizationisds,
Und hadn't found out pefore.

Boot to dis Deutsche brinter,
De only tifference he
Petween Repooblicanish
Und Demokratisch tid sec,
Vas dat von vash dwo ledders longer;
So he dook shoost vot seem pat
To make de poster handsome—
Likewise a liddle fat.

How ofden in dis buzzlin life
Small grubs grows oop to vings!
How ofden shoost from moostard seet
A virst-glass pusiness shprings!
Vant klein komt men tot't groote,
Ash de Hollanders hafe said:
Mit dese dwo ledders Breitemann
Caved in der Schmitsy's head.

VI.—Breitmann's Great Speech.

Is tale dat Schmit hafe seu de vight
Cot so much put apout
Dat many of his beoples vere
In fery tupious toubt;
Pove all, dose who were on de make,
And easy change deir lodge,
Und, pein awfool smart demselfs,
Pelieve in every dodge.

Vhen de meeding vas gesempled.

Und dey found no Schmit vas dere,
Dey looket at von anoder

Mit a ganz erstaunished air;
But dey saw it glear as taylight,
Und around a vink dere ran.
Ven pefore dem rose de shiant form
Of Copitain Breitemann!

Den Breitemann vent los at dem:

"He could nichts well exbress
De rapdure dat besqueezed his hearts—
De wonnevol hoppiness—
To meed in friendlich council
And glasp de hand of dose
Who had peen mit most oonreason
Und unkindtly galled his foes.

"Berhaps o'er all dis shmilin eart'—
He vould say it dere and den—
Soosh shpecdagles couldt nod pe seen
Of soosh imbartial men,
So tefoid of pase sospicion,
So apove all betty dricks,
Ash to gome und lisden vairly
To a voe in poledicks;

"Dat ish to say, a so-galled voe—
For he feeled id in his soul
Dat de brinciples vitch mofed dem
Vere de same oopon de whole;
But he lack a vord to exbress dem
In manners opportunes—"
Here a veller in de gallery
Gry oud, oonkindly, "Shpoons!"

Und dere der Breitmann goppled him:

"If shpoons our modifes pe,
Dere's not a man pefore oos
Who lossed a shpoon by me:
Far rader had I gife you all
A shpoons to eaten mit,
Und I hope to yet a ladle for
Mine friendt, der Mishder Schmit."

Dis fetch das Haus like doonder—
It raised der teufel's dust,
Und for sefen-lefen minudes
Dey ooplauded on a bust;
Und de blokes dat dinked of hedgin
Saw a ring as round as O;
So dey boked eash oder in de rips,
Und said, "I dold you so!"

For dis d'lusion to de ladle
Vas as glear ash city milk,
Und drawd it on de beoples
So vine ash flossen silk,
Dat Hans und Schmit vere rollin locks,
Und de locks were ready cut;
Only Breitmann hafe de liddle end,
Und Schmitsy dake de butt!

Den Breitemann he crack onward:

"If any 'lightened man
Will seeken in his Bibel,
He'll find dat a publican
Is a barty ash sells lager;
Und das ding is ferry blain,
Dat a re-publican ish von
Who sells id 'gain und 'gain.

"Now since dat I sells lager,
I gant agreen mit
De demprance brinciples I hear
Distriputet to Schmit;
Boot dis I dells you vairly,
Und no one to teseife—
If I were Schmit, I'd pliefen
Shoost yot der Schmit peliefe.

"And to mine Sherman, liperal friends
I might mention in dis shpot
Dat I hear an oonfoundet rumor
Dat der Schmit peliefe in Gott;
Und also dat he cocs to shoorsh—
Mit a prayer-book for salfadion:
I vould not for die welt say dings
To hoort his repudadion.

"Und nodin is more likely
Dat it all a shlander pe,
So also de rumor dat ven young
He shtoody divinidy:
I myself, ash a publican,
Moost pe a sinner by fate,
Und in dis sense I denounce myself
Ash Re-publi-candidate!

"Und dat ve may meed in gommon,
I declare here in dis hall—
Und I shvears mineself to hold to it,
Fotefer may pefall—
Dat any man who gifes me his fote—
Votevefer his boledicks pe—
Shall ulfays pe regartet
Ash bolidiyal friendt py me."

(Dis voonderfol condescension
Pring down drementous applause,
Und dose who catch de nodion
Gife most derriple hooraws;
Eshbecially some Amerigans
Ash vas shtandin near de door,
Und who in all deir leben long
Nefer heard so moosh sense pefore.)

"Dese ish de brincibles I holts,
And dose in viteh I run:
Dey ish fixed firm and immutaple
Ash te course of de 'ternal sun:
Boot if you ton't abbrove of dem—
Blease nodice vot I say—
I shall only pe too happy
To alder dem right afay.

"Und unto my Demogratic friendts
I vould very glearly shtate—
Since dis useless mit oop-geclearéd minds
To hold a long depate—
Dat dere's no man in de cidy
Dat sells besser liquor ash I,
Und I shtand de treadts free-gradis
Vhenefer mine friendts ish try.

"Ad finem—in de ende—
I moost mendion do you all,
Dat a dootzen parrels of lager bier
Ish a-gomin to dis hall:
Dere ish none of mine own barty here,
Boot we'll do mitout deir helfs;
Und I kess, on de whole, 'twill pe shoost so goot,
If ye trink it all ourselfs.'

Soosh drementous up-loudation
Pefore was nefer seen,
Ash dey shvored dat Copitan Breitmann
Vas a brick-pat, and no sardine;
Und dey trinked demselfs besoffen,
Sayin, "Hope you wird sookceed!"—
De nexter theil will pe de ent
Of dis historisch lied.

VII.—The Author Asserts the Vast Intellectual Superiority of Germans to Americans.

Vich few hafe oonderstand—Dat de Deutschers are, de jure,
De owners of dis land;
Und I brides mineself unspeakbarly
Dat I foorst make be-known
De primordial cause dat Columpus
Vas derivet from Cologne;

For ash his name vas Colon,
It fisibly does shine
Dat his elders are geboren been
In Co-logne on der Rhein;
Und Colonia pein a colony,
It sehr bemarkbar ist
Dat Columbus in America
Was der firster colonist.

Und ash Columbus is a tofe,
Id is wort de drople to mark
Dat a bidgeon foorst tiscofered land
A-vlyin from de ark;
Und shtill wider—in de peginnin,
Mitout de leastest toubt,
A tofe vas vly ofer de wassers
Und pring de vorldt herout.

(51)

Ash mine goot oldt teacher der Kreutzer To me tid often shbeak,
De mythus of name rebeats idself
(Vich ve see in his Symbolik);
So also de name America,
If ve a liddle look,
Vas coom from de oldt King Emerich
In de Deutsche Heldenbuch.

Und id vas from dat very Heldenbuch—
How voonderful id run!—
Dat I shdole de "Song of Hildebrand,
Or der Vater und der Son,"
Und dishtripute it to Breitmann,
For a reason vitch now ish plain,
Dat dis Sagen-Cyclus, full-endet,
Pring me round to der Hans again!

Dese laws of un-endly un-wigglin
Ish so teep und broad und tall
Dat nopody boot a Deutscher
Have a het to versteh dem at all;
Und should I write mine dinks all oud,
I ton't peliefe, indeed,
Dat I mineself vould versteh de half
Of dis here Breitmannslied.

Ash de Hegel say of his system,
Dat only von mans knew
Vot der teufel id meandt, und he could't tell;
Und der Jean Paul Richter too,
Who said, "Gott knows I meant somedings
When foorst dis buch I writ,
Boot Gott only wise vot de buch means now,
Vor I have vergotten it."

And all of dis be-wises

So blain ash de face on your nose,
Dat der Deutscher hafe efen more intellects,
Dan he himself soopose;
Und his tifference mit de over-again vorldt,
Ash I really do soospect,
Ish dat oder volk hafe more soopose,
Und lesser intellect.

Yet coprightly I gonfess it—
Mitout ashkin vhy or vhence—
Dere ish also dimes vhen Amerigans
Hafe ge-shown sharp-pointed sense;
Und a fery outsigned example
Of genius in dis line
Vas dishblayed in dis elegdion
Py Mishder Hiram Twine.

VIII.—Showing How Mr. Hiram Twine "Played off" on Smith.

Whose vode alone vouldt pe
Apout enoof to elegdt a man,
Und gife a mayority;
So de von who couldt scoop dis seddlement
Vould make a pully hit;
Boot dough dey vere Deutschers, von und all,
Dey all go von on Schmit.

Now it happenet to gome to bass
Dat in dis liddle town
De Deutsch vas all exshpegdin
Dat Mishder Schmit coom down,
His brinciples to fore-setzen
Und his ideés to deach,
(Dat is, fix oop de brifate pargains)
Und telifer a pooblic sbeech.

Now Twine vas a gyrotwistive cuss,
Ash blainly ish peen shown,
Und vas alfays an out-findin
Votefer might pe known;
Und mit some of his circums windles
He fix de matter so
Dat he'd pe himself at dis meetin
And see how dings vas go.

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Oh shtrangely in dis leben
De dings kits vorked apout!
Oh voonderly Fortuna
Makes toorn us insite out!
Oh sinkular de luck-wheel rolls!
Dis liddle meeding dere
Fixt Twine ad perpendiculum—
Shoost suit him to a hair!

Now it hoppenit on dis efenin
De Deutschers, von und all,
Vere avaitin mit impatience
De openin of de ball;
Und de shates of nite vere fallin
Und de shdars begin to plink,
Und dey vish dat Schmit vouldt hoorry,
For d'yas dime to dake a trink.

Dey hear some hoofs a-dramplin,
Und dey saw, und dinked dey knowed,
Der bretty greature coomin,
On his horse along de road;
Und ash he ride town in-ward
De likeness vas so plain
Dey donnered out, "Hooray for Schmit!"
Enough to make it rain.

Der Twine vas shtart like plazes;
Boot oopshtarted too his wit,
Und he dinks, "Great Turnips! what if I
Could bass for Colonel Schmit?
Gaul dern my heels! Pll do it,
Und go the total swine!
Oh, Soap-balls! what a chance!" said dis
Dissembulatin Twine.

Den 'twas "Willkomm! willkomm, Mishder Schmit!"
Ringsroom on efery site;
Und "First-rate! How dy-do yourself?"
Der Hiram Twine replied.
Dey ashk him, "Come und dake a trink?"
But dey find it mighdy queer
Ven Twine informs dem none boot hogs
Vould trink dat shtinkin bier:

Dat all lager vas nodings boot boison;
Und ash for Sherman wein,
He dinks it vas erfounden
Exshbressly for Sherman schwein;
Dat he himself vas a demperanceler—
Dat he gloria in de name;
Und atfise dem all, for teceney's sake,
To go und do de same.

Desc bemarks among de Deutschers
Vere apout ash vell receife
Ash a cats in a game of den-bins,
Ash you may of coorse peliefe:
De heat of de reception
Vent down a dootzen tegrees,
Und in place of hurraws dere vas only heardt
De rooslin of de drees.

Und so in solemn stille
Dey scorched him to de hall,
Vhere he maket de oradion
Vitch vas so moosh to blease dem all;
Und dis vay he pegin it:
"Pefore 1 furder go,
I vish dat my obinions
You puddin-het Dooteh should know.

"Und cre I norate to you,
I think it only fair
We should conderstand each other
Prezactly, chunk and square.
Dere are boints on which ve tisagree,
And I will plank de facts—
I don't go round slanganderin
My friendts pehind deir packs.

"So I beg you dake it easy
If on de raw I touch,
Vhen I say I can't apide de sound
Of your groontin, shi-shing Dutch.
Should I in the Legisladure
As your slumgullion shtand,
I'll have a bill forbidding Dutch
Troo all dis 'versal land.

"Should a husband talk it to his frau,
To deat' he should pe led;
If a mutter breat' it to her shild,
I'd bunch her in de head;
Und I'm sure dat none vill atfocate
Ids use in public schools,
Oonless dey're peastly, nashdy, prutal,
Sauerkraut-eatin vools.

Here Mishder Twine, to gadder breat,
Shoost make a liddle pause,
Und see seehs hundert gapin eyes,
Seehs hundert shdarin chaws,
Dey shtanden erstarrt like frozen;
Von faindly dried to hiss;
Und von set: "Ish it shleeps I'm treamin?
Gottausend! vat ish dis?"

Twine keptet von eye on de vindow,
Boot poldly went ahet:
"Of your oder shtinkin hobits
No vordt needt hier pe set.
Shtop goozlin bier—shtop shmokin bipes—
Shtop rootin in de mire;
Und shoost un-Dutchify yourselfs:
Dat's all dat I require."

Und denn dere coomed a shindy
Ash if de shky hat trop:
"Trow him mit ecks, py doonder!
Go shlog him on de kop!
Hei! Shoot him mit a powie-knifes;
Go for him, ganz and gar!
Shoost tar him mit some fedders!
Led's fedder him mit tar!"

Sooch a teufel's row of furie
Vas nefer oop-kickt before:
Soom roosh to on-climb de blatform—
Soom hoory to fasten te toor:
Von veller vired his refolfer,
Boot de pullet missed her mark:
She coot de cort of de shandelier:
It vell, und de hall vas tark!

Oh vell was it for Hiram Twine
Dat nimply he couldt shoomp;
Und vell dat he light on a misthauf,
Und nefer feel de boomp;
Und vell for him dat his goot cray horse
Shtood sattled shoost outside;
Und vell dat in an augenblick
He vas off on a teufel's ride.

Bang! bang! de sharp pistolen shots
Vent pipin py his car,
Boot he tortled oop de barrick road
Like any mountain deer:
Dey trowed der Hiram Twine mit shteins,
Put dey only could be-mark
Von climpse of his vhite obercoadt,
Und a clotterin in de tark.

So dey all versembled togeder,
Ein ander to sprechen mit,
Und allow dat sooch a rede
Dey nefer exshpegd from Schmit—
Dat he vas a foorst-glass plackguard,
And so pig a Lump ash ran;
So, nemine contradicente,
Dey vented for Breitemann

Und 'twas annerthalb yar dereafter
Before der Schmit vas know
Vot maket dis rural fillage
Go pack oopon him so;
Und he schvored at de Dootch more schlimmer
Ash Hiram Twine had tone.
Nota bene: He tid it in earnesht,
Vhile der Hiram's vas pusiness fun.

Boot vhen Breitmann heard de shdory
How de fillage hat peen dricked,
He shvore bei Leib und Leben
He'd rader hafe been licked
Dan pe helpet bei soosh shumgoozlin;
Und 'twas petter to pe a schwein
Dan a schwindlin honeyfooglin shnake.
Like dat lyin Yankee Twine.

Und pegot so heafy disgoosted
Mit de boledicks of dis land
Dat his friendts couldn't barely keep him
From trowin oop his hand, [poot;
When he helt shtraidt flush, mit an ace in his
Vich phrase ish all de same,
In de science of de pokerology,
Ash if he got de game.

So Breitmann cot elegtet,
Py vollowin de vay
Dey manage de elegdions
Unto dis fery day;
Vitch shows de Deutsch Dummehrlichkeit,
Also de Yankee "wit:"
Das ist das Abenteuer
How Breitmann lick der Schmit







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